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The Mid-Autumn Festival, also popularly known as the “Moon Festival”, is a harvest festival that is celebrated by the Chinese diaspora and the Vietnamese communities. It is held on the fifteenth day of the eighth month in the Chinese and Vietnamese lunisolar calendars, and falls on the 27th of September this year.

The Mid-Autumn Festival has a rich history and traditions that go back over one thousand years. Some of the traditions include the myth of the lunar deity known as Chang’e, the Moon Goddess of Immortality, and praying for a good future. In contemporary times, the festival is marked by family gatherings, lion/dragon dances, moon gazing, and the consumption of seasonal pastries known as mooncakes. As the region with a high population of Chinese diaspora and Vietnamese residents, many events celebrating the Mid-Autumn Festival in Los Angeles County are expected to take place this year.

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WE, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board proclaim September 27th 2015 as Mid-Autumn Festival Day, to recognize and celebrate this major holiday.

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